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AVENUES OF EMPLOYMENT FOR SC/ST
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Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

) whether new avenues of employment have been generated as a result of the new economic reforms;

(b) if so, the number of avenues generated for the candidates belonging to Scheduled Caste/Scheduled Tribe categories;

(c) the targeted avenues of employment to be generated during the forthcoming financial year; and

(d) if so, the details of steps being taken by the Government to increase the avenues of employment for the candidates belonging to Scheduled Caste/Scheduled Tribe categories?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR LABOUR & EMPLOYMENT (SHRI MUNI LALL)

a) Estimates of employment and unemployment are obtained from the Labour Force surveys conducted by the National Sample Survey Organisation. The result of the surveys indicate that the total employment which was of the order of 332 million in 1993-94 has gone up to around 370 million in 1999-2000. Significant levels of new employment avenues have been created in the services sector.

b) Category wise break up of employment generation is not maintained.

c & d)The planning for employment generation is a part of the five year Plans. The Approach to the Ninth Plan envisages priority to productive employment which will be generated in the growth process itself by concentrating on sectors, sub-sectors and technologies which are labour intensive, in regions characterized by higher rates of unemployment and underemployment. The programmes of Ninth Plan will benefit the candidates belonging to Schedule Caste and Schedule Tribe categories also.